(*b*) This line will provide an out-let to the products of South India, and thus will be to the benefit of the Port of Cochin. The line is also expected to pay for itself financially.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* Was the case of Chittur considered when the Cochin-Kollengode Railway was considered?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* When the question of connecting Pollachi and Palghat was taken up the question of taking up the line through Chittur was considered. Then it was found looking into the comparative merits of alignment aline through Chittur they preferred the present alignment.

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Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* The exact alignment has not been fixed.

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Secretary to Government):* That question is being considered again. We are addressing the railway authorities on the matter of taking the line through Chittur.

MOORKANIKARA PRIMARY SCHOOL—NUMBER OF PUPILS ADMITTED IN CLASS I

26. Mr. V. R. Krishnan Ezhuthassan *(Urakam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of pupils admitted into Class I in the Moorkanikara Primary School on each of the days during the first two weeks since this year's re-opening;

(*b*) whether on any particular day admission was refused and if so on what ground;

(*c*) whether on any succeeding day admission was re-started;

(*d*) whether any pupil was refused admission in the same school in Class I during the last academic year?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(*a*) Statement appended. (Please see Appendix IV)

(*b*) New admission to Class I was stopped for want of furniture from 25th Edavam 1120.

(*c*) On receipt of Deputy Inspector's Memo A. 1078/20, dated 9th June 1945 with the information to admit pupils to Class I and that a new division will be sanctioned and furniture supplied. Admission was re-started from Monday 29th Edavam 1120.

(*d*) Some students were refused admission to Class I during the last academic year for want of furniture.

Mr. V. R. Krishnan Ezhuthassan *(Urakam).* How many students were refused or denied admission during the previous year because of want of furniture?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Mr. President, I think because they were not admitted it does not mean that they did not join any other school. I have made a further enquiry in respect of this question and I found out of the 9, 7 had gone to other schools, the remaining two did not go.

VARAVOOR AND THALI PRIMARY SCHOOLS

27. Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Cheruthuruthi):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the strength of pupils in Varavoor and the Thali Primary Schools of the Talappalli Taluk;

(*b*) the nearest English Schools available to the student population of these places for higher studies and the distance to the same;

(*c*) whether the Government have any idea to give facilities for at least lower secondary education to the student population of these places by enlarging the Varavoor Elementary School into a Lower Secondary one?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):*

	Boys	*Girls*	*Total*
(*a*) M. S., Varavoor ..	116	91	207
A. N. M. M. S., Thichur, Thali ..	88	78	166

Nearest English School to M. S., Varavoor	*Distance*
(*b*) L. S. S., Cheruthuruthi ..	7 miles
H. S., Vadakkancheri ..	5 ,,

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APPENDIX IV

[Please see Answer to Question No. 26 (a)]

Days		New admission	Re-admission	Total
1st Week				
Monday	22—10—1120	4	1	5
Tuesday	23—10—1120	59	3	62
Wednesday	24—10—1120	Nil	2	2
Thursday	25—10—1120	do.	Nil	Nil
Friday	26—10—1120	do.	do.	do.
2nd Week				
Monday	29—10—1120	41	4	45
Tuesday	30—10—1120	11	Nil	11
Wednesday	31—10—1120	2	do.	2
Thursday	32—10—1120	Nil	do.	Nil
Friday	1—11—1120	do.	do.	do.
			Total	127

APPENDIX V

[Please see answer to Question No. 30 (b) & (c)]

Names of Hostels		Maximum accommodation	The number of students accommodated during the present academic year
(i) Maharaja's College, Ernakulam			
Rama Varma Hostel :	Men's section	72	97
	Women's section	25	25
		97	122
(ii) Sacred Heart's College, Thevara			
Hostel No. I		227	227
Hostel No. II		118	118
Hostel No. III		66	66
		411	411
(iii) St: Teresa's College, Ernakulam			
Little Flower's Hostel		55	55
(iv) St. Thomas College, Trichur			
St. Thomas College Hostel, Thope		60	58
St. Mary's Hostel		50	41
St. Thomas College Hindu Hostel		25	25
		135	124
(v) Carmel College, Trichur 2			
Carmel Hostels No. I		48—50	48
No. II		30	18
		78—80	66
(vi) Training College 2			
Men's Hostel		12	12
Women's Hostel		10	8
		22	20

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